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- *Resources at our website <http://www.worldofradio.com> include DX/SWL/Media programs updated frequently and Monthly update to Nets to You
- *WOR schedule change on WBCQ; Sat 2330 UT shifted to 0300 UT Sunday on 9330-CLSB; all our other broadcasts are one UT hour earlier than in the winter
- *Right after WOR on WBCQ 7415, Wed 2230, new is Music Download Scene; Sun 2000-2200 UT on 9330, medley of programs: Northern Lights, Science Rocks and Radio Weather with evangelism
- *Escalating electric bill at WBCQ; new fund drive to raise \$100K for large wind turbine to provide most of the power needed
- *WBCQ's new time-shifted schedule also at <http://wbcq.us>
- *As is WRMI's at <http://wrmi.net> with new musical block Sat 0900-1000 on 9955, rotating programs, some in German, disco music from Austria; three airings of Voice of the NASB, UT Sun: 0230 7385, 0930 9955, 2130 15725; Wavescan now Sun 2100, UT Mon 0400
- *Radio Free Asia has different labor union than VOA: Washington-Baltimore Newspaper Guild, <http://www.wbng.org> with current bargaining including schedules, work week, safety and health; does cutting the Cantonese service violate federal labor law?
- *More spurs from Delano transmitter; weak signal on 9561.75 was not Ethiopia, but spur from 9690, V. of Greece relay until 1459*, also matching on 9818.25
- *R. Sawa has four high-power MW outlets, 500 or 600 kW, with different streams: Cyprus 990 and Rhodes 1260 with Egypt/Levant stream, 24h and 1500-0800 respectively; Kuwait 1548 24h Iraq stream; newest Djibouti 1431 24h Sudan stream; last two beamed NW; first two SE
- *R. Sawa, Djibouti, 1431, in regular service since April 1, but until 2000 UT, V. of Russia in Arabic on same frequency
- *R. Congo, Brazzaville schedule: 5985 0430-0700, 1700-2300; 9610 0700-1700; 6115 0600-0830, 1700-2030
- *Channel Africa, South Africa, English schedule [see DXLD 4-061, 062]
- *R. Rhino International, for Uganda, suspended until May 3; schedule was Tue-Sat 1500-1530 on 17870 via Germany
- *On April 2 at 0530-0700 DW programming replaced by music. It was a strike at 0300-0800; trade unions vs salary negotiations, royalties for freelancers, pensions. More severe measures threatened
- *DRM schedule has very low powered SW outlets in Germany; now one DXed across the Atlantic by Mark Fine in Virginia: 15896, Bit Express at 2255-2305, brief peaks of 100 watt campus station, with excellent audio in stereo
- *Belgian station adds SW via Germany, Maeva FM, first in DRM on 5985 at 1400-1500; then 5975 in analog 1300-1400, later changing to 6015
- *Radio DMR, external service from Moldova, 1600-1640 on 5960, heavy interference, including English certain days, of Tiraspol government, a.k.a. Radio Pridnestrovyie

- *Easter Sunday April 11 specials from 100 kW Latvia 9290: 0900 Radio Caroline, 1400 European Music Radio, 1700-1900 Mi Amigo Radio
- *Michael Grade appointed BBC Chairman for four years from May 17; other vacancy, Director General not to be filled until then
- *Standard disclaimer
- *The media magazine you monitor with your mind, World of Radio 1227, P O Box 1684, Enid, OK 73702; woradio at yahoo.com
- *Thanks this week for financial support go to Dave Hammer, Miami Valley DX Club
- *Wales Radio International, weekly half-hour in English: Fri 2030 on 7325; UT Sat 0200 9795; Sat 1230 17745, all via Rampisham, England
- *Temporary DX window in Europe on 1386 kHz, clear of any high-power signals after 1900, a chance to hear 1-watt LPAM stations in UK; and higher powered Guinea, Kenya. Closes April 17 when R. Baltic Waves, Lithuania, starts relaying China with 500 kW, 1900-2200 UT
- *R. France International, new English schedule [as in DXLD 4-064]; still on 11m, 25820 at 1200-1230 until first Sunday in May, to resume in September; only service to NAM is in French 1100-1200 on 17570, the second half being marine weather
- *REE Spain has resumed last summer's schedule of Nuestro Sello, classical music on their own RTVE label, when we can hear it, M-F after the news at 1400 on 15585, 17595, 17760, 21570, 21610; also UT Tue-Sat after news at 0100 on 6020, 6055, 9535, 9620, 11680, 15160
- *Weekly Sephardic half hour from Spain to NAM, UT Tue 0415 on 9650
- *R. Slovakia International has made cost-saving cuts, by reducing frequencies and power; but now a more drastic cut is in the offing: plans to close SW service completely May 1; several language services ask for listener letters opposing this to: Jaroslav Reznik, Director General, Slovak Radio, Mitna 1, P O Box 55, 81755 Bratislava; or e-mail reznik@slovakradio.sk English to NAM is 0100-0130 on 5930, 9440, both with adjacent interference
- *Swiss Radio International closing SW at end of October, but days for English are already numbered, replaced after April 12 by music. Until then historical features; see also <http://www.swissinfo.org> and Media Network feature article. SRI's entire remaining English schedule: 0730-0800 13650 15445 21770; 0830-0900 21770; 1730-1800 13750 15515 17870; 1930-2030 11815 13645 13795 15220; 2330-2400 9885 11905. French Guiana relay is on 15220, 11905; Sottens, Switzerland on 21770, 17870, 13795, 9885; the rest are Juelich, Germany
- *Croatian Radio, 9925 via Germany, now has English at 2215-2230, 0215-0230; will add newscast in Italian
- *Not only Croatia but now San Marino and Norway authorize their hams to use 7100-7200 kHz, tho primarily still occupied by broadcasters
- *English from Voice of Greece 0930-1000 9420 15630; 1830-1900 12105; weekly hours in English audible in North America, Sat 1600 and Sun 1800 on 17705; also direct from Greece on 15630, 9420, 7475
- *Radio Free Syria, new clandestine backed by CIA, still lacking a frequency, but has started on Internet, <http://www.reformsyria.net>

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- *R. Pedar, Los Angeles, new Iranian clandestine heard at 1730-1808+ on 17735
- *R. Pakistan new English schedule: 1600-1615 11570, 11850, 15100, 15725; Assamese in English, 0045-0115 9340, 11565; 0800 and 1100 on 17835, 21465
- *All India Radio postponed debut of 24-hour SW news channel from the beginning of April to sometime in June, for political reasons
- *AIR's new English schedule includes: 2045-2230 9910 11620 11715; 7410 9445 9950; 2245-0045 9705, 9950, 11620, 11645, 13605
- *AIR testing FM Gold service on SW, including some English news, 0025-0430, 0700-1330, 1530-1740 on 7420, maybe 7270
- *Malaysian on 4895 reactivated, heard 2215-2300 in Philippines, and also 1345-1557* in Washington state, more than two hours after local sunrise
- *Another China Sea yacht race, April 8-14 from Hong Kong to Subic Bay, Philippines; maybe with special weather broadcasts on SW 3940; check <http://www.rhkyc.org.hk/chinasearace.htm>
[where we've been able to find nothing about such broadcasts so far]
- *Japan's private commercial SW station Radio Tampa/NSB since April 1 changed name to R. Nikkei, audible here mornings on 9595, 6055
- *Former director of XERMX says IMER turned down her proposals to refurbish facilities for much less than excuse given for closing it down instead
- *Peruvian reactivated after more than a year, 6047.14, Radio Santa Rosa, 0859-0939+
- *Chile continues to block 6070, CFRX Toronto, 2200-1200, but CFRX has spurs plus and minus 13.3 kHz heard around 1900 in NJ
- *Propagation outlook from Boulder, April 6: flux range 115-100-120
- *Glenn Hauser, concluding World of Radio 1227 ###